

LEGAL NOTICE  
OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT  
**Petrox Northern Extension Pipeline and  
Associated Fruitland Coal Gas Horizontal Drilling Project  
Environmental Assessment**  
USDA Forest Service  
San Juan National Forest  
Columbine Ranger District  
Archuleta County, Colorado

The Columbine Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest is seeking public comments on the pre-decisional draft Environmental Assessment for the *Petrox Northern Extension Pipeline and Associated Fruitland Coal Gas Horizontal Drilling Project*. The proposed action is construction of a 8.6-mile Northern Extension Pipeline on SJNF, state, and private lands; the construction of one new gas well, well pad, and access road on SJNF land; and the recompletion of two existing wells on SJNF. The project area is located in Archuleta County, in the Fosset Gulch and Lange Canyon areas of the HD Mountains, east of Bayfield, Colorado.

The Environmental Assessment, with maps, is available online from <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53825> or contact Walt Brown at [walter.brown@usda.gov](mailto:walter.brown@usda.gov) or 970-385-1372.

This project is subject to objection regulations at 36 CFR 218, subparts A and B. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments regarding the proposal during designated public comment periods will be eligible to object. Each individual or representative from each entity submitting comments must meet the information requirements in 36 CFR 218.25, including name and postal address, project title, and signature or other verification of identity.

Written comments will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this notice in the *Durango Herald*. The Forest Service is encouraging comments to be submitted electronically via on-line comment form at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53825>, or faxed to 970-884-2428. Hard copy comments may be mailed via US Postal Service to: James Simino, District Ranger, Petrox Pipeline EA Comments, Columbine Ranger District, POB 439, Bayfield, Colorado 81122. Hand-delivered or courier-delivered comments are not being accepted at this time. Names and addresses of those who comment will be considered part of the public record and available for public inspection.

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